HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 877 By Beavers

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Kelly Cross, 2002 Valedictorian of Mt. Juliet High School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who, through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence, have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Kelly Cross is one such exceptional student who was recently named Valedictorian of the 2002 graduating class at Mt. Juliet High School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and a steadfast commitment of time and talent, Kelly has achieved outstanding academic success, and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in her remarkable high school career, Ms. Cross has earned an exemplary 4.0 Grade Point Average; she is an All-American Scholar and the President of the Mt. Juliet High School Chapter of the National Honor Society; and

WHEREAS, Kelly's academic prowess has resulted in her membership in the Academic Hall of Fame for Advanced Placement United States History and Advanced Placement English; she is listed in *Who's Who Among American High School Students*; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Cross is active in numerous clubs and programs, including service as the Vice-President of the Future Teachers of America, membership in the Key Club, and

participation on the Yearbook staff and YMWS; she is an active and devout member of the Hermitage Church of Christ and is involved in Nashville Inner City Outreach; and

WHEREAS, Kelly Cross's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for her future success; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Cross's noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for her parents, Michael and Pam Cross, her school, and her community; and

WHEREAS, Kelly Cross's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That we hereby commend and honor 2002 Mt. Juliet High School Valedictorian, Kelly Cross, on her impressive academic achievement, and extend to her our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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